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CHAPTER XI—MISCELLANEOUS

(i) Geology.

1121. The public evinced keen interest in obtaining mineral concessions in the State, as there was a great demand for manganese and other commercial minerals. Consequently, applications for the grant of certificates of approval, prospecting licences, mining leases and quarrying licences were on the increase during the year. Due to regular and periodical inspection of the ornamental and building stone quarries under the control of the Department, illicit quarrying was put an end to in various places, resulting in an increase of revenue.

1122. There was a marked increase in the receipt of applications from the mining public for the grant of mineral concessions in the State.

1123. Mineral concessions and their statistics :—

(1) One hundred and twenty-nine certificates of approval were current as against 109 in the previous year.

(2) Forty-eight mining leases were current during the year.

(3) One hundred and forty-three prospecting licences were current as against 106 in the previous year.

(4) There was a steady increase in the grant of licences for ornamental and building stones. Two hundred and ninety-nine quarrying licences were current during the year as against 279 in the previous year.

(5) There were 13 exploring licences and the grant of further licences was suspended in view of the New Mineral Concession Rules being introduced in the State.

(6) Twenty-nine collecting licences were current during the year. In view of the New Mineral Concession Rules, the grant of collecting licences was also suspended.

Mineral production of the State—1951.

1124. The total value of the minerals produced in the State was —

		Rs.
1. Metals	...	6,58,42,472
2. Non-metals :		
(*a*) Industrial minerals	...	31,06,220
(*b*) Building materials	...	7,80,390
Total	...	6,97,29,082

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1125. The demand, collection and balance of mining revenue and geological receipts, other than royalty on gold were —

		Rs.	a.	p.
Total Demand	...	2,60,483	8	2
Collection	...	2,39,091	9	5
Balance	...	21,391	14	9

1126. The total expenditure of the Department during the year was Rs. 1,33,206.

1127. The following minerals were located as a result of survey and prospecting :—

Asbestos.—Near Aichanahalli, Mathigatta and Mudigere, Krishnarajapet taluk.

Barytes.—Near 10th mile-stone on Closepet-Magadi Road.

Beryl.—Near Kurubaramanchenhalli and Ragimuddanhalli, Krishnarajpet taluk.

Chromite.—To the west of Silanere on Krishnarajpet-Mysore Road.

Calcite.—In the magnesian lime-stone near Bettadabidu, Heggaddevankote taluk.

Cordierite.—At the western border of Closepet. Granite near 7/35th mile-stone on Bangalore, Kunigal Road.

Corundum.—Near Yadehalli, Doddanakatte, Pura, Muddanahalli and Mandalikanhalli, Krishnarajpet taluk; near Devaramarikunte, Surnahalli, Parasurampura, Mahadevapura, Durgavara, Giriyammanahalli and to the south of 11th mile-stone on Challakere-Pavagada Road, Challakere taluk.

Graphite.—In the pyroxene granulite in the excavated portions of the Nugu Reservoir Dam.

Kyanite.—Near Kudineerkatte (Holalkere taluk), Eraballi (Hiriyur taluk); Chattanhalli and on Madapura-Chennarayapatna Road in Krishnarajpet taluk; Mallur in Heggaddevankote taluk.

Lead ore.—Near Konagavalli on the Shimoga-Sagar Railway route.

Limestone.—To the north of the Krishnarajasagar dam North bank.

Mica.—In the kyanite deposits in Kudineerkatte, Holalkere taluk.